Security & Stability Advisory Committee

Update of Activities





Topics

- 1. Overview of Activities -- Patrik Fältström, SSAC Chair
- 2. SAC054: SSAC Report on Domain Name Registration Data Model Jim Galvin, SSAC Vice Chair
- 3. Questions/Discussion/Other Topics

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Recent Publications

Published in 2012:

- [SAC054] SSAC Report on the Domain Name Registration Data Model
- [SAC053] SSAC Report on Dotless Domains
- [SAC052] SSAC Advisory on Delegation of Single-Character Internationalized Domain Name Top-Level Domains
- SSAC Comment on the ICANN FY13 Budget: Impact on SSAC Productivity
- SSAC Comment on the ICANN Draft Roadmap to Implement SAC 051

Published in 2011:

- [SAC051] SSAC Report on WHOIS Terminology and Structure
- [SAC050] SSAC Advisory on DNS Blocking Benefits Versus Harms
- [SAC049] DNS Zone Risk Analysis
- [SAC048] SSAC Comment on the Definition of Orphan Glue
- [SAC047] SSAC Comment on the ICANN gTLD Registry Transition Processes Model

2012 Work Plan

Current Work Parties/Working Groups/ Committees

- Membership Committee
- Internationalized Registration Data Working Group (IRD-WG)
- Domain Name System (DNS) Security and Stability Analysis Working Group (DSSA-WG)
- Board DNS Risk Management Framework Working Group
- Impact of DNS Blocking Work Party
- Root Key Rollover Work Party

2012 Work Plan, Cont.

- Public Meetings and Collaboration
 - Regular meetings with law enforcement agencies
 - Briefings to Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees at ICANN meetings
 - Briefings with other community groups as requested
- Other Work Parties Identified for Future Work:
 - Public interest (No Fee) Domain Holding Pen
 - Security and Stability Issues Relating to New gTLDs
 - Deployment of IPv6 in addition to IPv4

SSAC Report on Domain Name Registration Data Model

Jim Galvin

What is it?

- The Domain Name Registration Data (DNRD)
 model is a straw man registration data model
 for community discussion and consideration and
 as a basis for further development
 - It takes into consideration existing data requirements from gTLD registrar and registry agreements, escrow agreements, and ongoing work on internationalized registration data requirements, and some ccTLD data requirements.
 - It makes no policy assertions.

Why it is important?

- There is currently no uniform data model that exists for DNRD and this unduly complicates data submission, handling, exchange, and access
- A standards-based, structured, and extensible data model could:
 - Address the variability in DNRD-DS representation
 - Improve the user experience for internationalized registration data (Final Report of the Internationalized Registration Data Working Group and the WHOIS Review Team Draft Final Report)

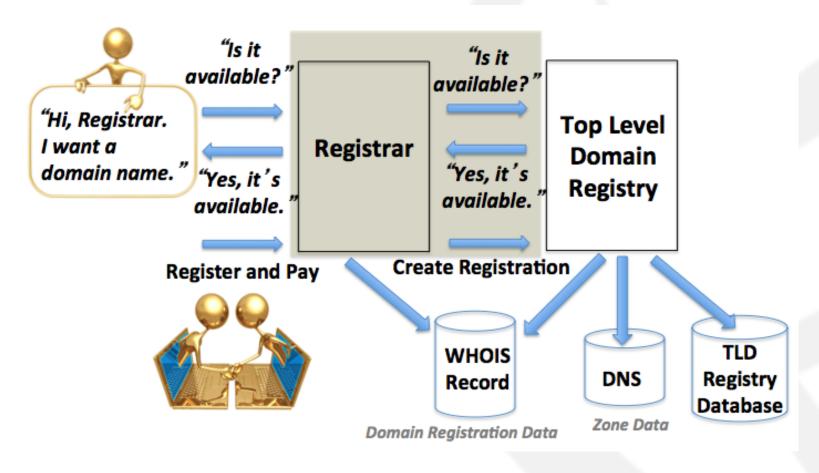
Methodology

- Document the life cycle of a domain name from registration to release
- Enumerate data elements that are needed to support the life cycle

Life Cycle of a typical Domain Name



Life Cycle: Domain Registration



Other operations include update, transfer, renew or deletion of the domain name

What is the Data Model?

- Enumeration of Data Elements (Descriptive Model)
- Data Profile: implements the data model
 - Detailed Data elements
 - Attributes: format, minimum/maximum length, language tags, cardinality, etc.
 - Profile parameters: Character encoding, mark up language, protocol used to access the data
 - Additional rules
- Relationship: one data model, but could have multiple data profiles (e.g. profile for DNRD-DS, profile for escrow)

Recommendations

- The SSAC invites all ICANN SOs/ACs and in particular registry and registrar stakeholder groups to
 - Consider this data model and comment on its completeness and
 - Comment on the utility of the model in furthering the definition of a directory service for domain name registration data as outlined in SAC 033 and SAC 051.

Potential Issues

The ccTLD and gTLD data models are different. It will be a challenge to harmonize the two models.

Next Steps

- One of WHOIS Review Team's recommendations is for ICANN to convene a working group to determine the data model.
- The SSAC is meeting with community members to explain the model and answer questions.

Questions/Discussion/ Other Topics